## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

**Federal Emergency Management Agency** 

[Docket ID FEMA-2023-0002; Internal Agency Docket No. FEMA-B-2369]

**Proposed Flood Hazard Determinations** 

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: Comments are requested on proposed flood hazard determinations, which may include additions or modifications of any Base Flood Elevation (BFE), base flood depth, Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) boundary or zone designation, or regulatory floodway on the Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs), and where applicable, in the supporting Flood Insurance Study (FIS) reports for the communities listed in the table below. The purpose of this notice is to seek general information and comment regarding the preliminary FIRM, and where applicable, the FIS report that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has provided to the affected communities. The FIRM and FIS report are the basis of the floodplain management measures that the community is required either to adopt or to show evidence of having in effect in order to qualify or remain qualified for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

DATES: Comments are to be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 90 DAYS]

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**ADDRESSES:** The Preliminary FIRM, and where applicable, the FIS report for each community are available for inspection at both the online location

https://hazards.fema.gov/femaportal/prelimdownload and the respective Community Map Repository address listed in the tables below. Additionally, the current effective FIRM and FIS report for each community are accessible online through the FEMA Map Service Center at https://msc.fema.gov for comparison.

You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. FEMA-B-2369, to Rick Sacbibit, Chief, Engineering Services Branch, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration, FEMA, 400 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-7659, or (e-mail) patrick.sacbibit@fema.dhs.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rick Sacbibit, Chief, Engineering Services Branch, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration, FEMA, 400 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-7659, or (e-mail) patrick.sacbibit@fema.dhs.gov; or visit the FEMA Mapping and Insurance eXchange (FMIX) online at https://www.floodmaps.fema.gov/fhm/fmx\_main.html.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** FEMA proposes to make flood hazard determinations for each community listed below, in accordance with section 110 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, 42 U.S.C. 4104, and 44 CFR 67.4(a).

These proposed flood hazard determinations, together with the floodplain management criteria required by 44 CFR 60.3, are the minimum that are required. They should not be construed to mean that the community must change any existing ordinances that are more stringent in their floodplain management requirements. The community may at any time enact stricter requirements of its own or pursuant to policies established by other Federal, State, or regional entities. These flood hazard determinations are used to meet the floodplain management requirements of the NFIP.

The communities affected by the flood hazard determinations are provided in the tables below. Any request for reconsideration of the revised flood hazard information shown on the Preliminary FIRM and FIS report that satisfies the data requirements outlined in 44 CFR 67.6(b) is considered an appeal. Comments unrelated to the flood hazard determinations also will be considered before the FIRM and FIS report become effective.

Use of a Scientific Resolution Panel (SRP) is available to communities in support

of the appeal resolution process. SRPs are independent panels of experts in hydrology, hydraulics, and other pertinent sciences established to review conflicting scientific and technical data and provide recommendations for resolution. Use of the SRP only may be exercised after FEMA and local communities have been engaged in a collaborative consultation process for at least 60 days without a mutually acceptable resolution of an appeal. Additional information regarding the SRP process can be found online at <a href="https://www.floodsrp.org/pdfs/srp">https://www.floodsrp.org/pdfs/srp</a> overview.pdf.

The watersheds and/or communities affected are listed in the tables below. The Preliminary FIRM, and where applicable, FIS report for each community are available for inspection at both the online location

https://hazards.fema.gov/femaportal/prelimdownload and the respective Community Map Repository address listed in the tables. For communities with multiple ongoing Preliminary studies, the studies can be identified by the unique project number and Preliminary FIRM date listed in the tables. Additionally, the current effective FIRM and FIS report for each community are accessible online through the FEMA Map Service Center at https://msc.fema.gov for comparison.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 97.022, "Flood Insurance.")

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Merrimack County, New Hampshire (All Jurisdictions)  Project: 15-01-0632S Preliminary Date: October 12, 2022			
Community		Community map repository address	
City of Concord		Engineering Department, 41 Green Street, Concord, NH 03301.	

City of Franklin	City Hall, 316 Central Street, Franklin, NH 03235.
Town of Allenstown	Assessing Department, 16 School Street, Allenstown, NH 03275.
Town of Boscawen	Town Office, 116 North Main Street, Boscawen, NH 03303.
Town of Bow	Town Hall, 10 Grandview Road, Bow, NH 03304.
Town of Canterbury	Sam Lake House, 10 Hackleboro Road, Canterbury, NH 03224.
Town of Chichester	Town Hall, 54 Main Street, Chichester, NH 03258.
Town of Dunbarton	Town Hall, 1011 School Street, Dunbarton, NH 03046.
Town of Epsom	Town Office, 27 Black Hall Road, Epsom, NH 03234.
Town of Hooksett	Municipal Building, 16 Main Street, Hooksett, NH 03106.
Town of Hopkinton	Town Office, 330 Main Street, Hopkinton, NH 03229.
Town of Loudon	Town Office, 55 South Village Road, Loudon, NH 03307.
Town of Northfield	Town Office, 21 Summer Street, Northfield, NH 03276.
Town of Pembroke	Town Office, 311 Pembroke Street, Pembroke, NH 03275.
Town of Pittsfield	Town Office, 85 Main Street, Pittsfield, NH 03263.
Town of Salisbury	Academy Hall, 9 Old Coach Road, Salisbury, NH 03268.

Warren County, Ohio and Incorporated Areas Project: 14-05-44568 Preliminary Dates: February 03, 2021 and March 31, 2023 and May 19, 2023		
Community	Community map repository address	
City of Carlisle	Town Hall, 760 Central Avenue, Carlisle, OH 45005.	

City of Franklin	City Administration Building, 1 Benjamin Franklin Way, Franklin, OH 45005.
City of Mason	Mason Municipal Center, 6000 Mason-Montgomery Road, Mason, OH 45040.
City of South Lebanon	Municipal Building, 10 North High Street, South Lebanon, OH 45065.
City of Springboro	Municipal Building, 320 West Central Avenue, Springboro, OH 45066.
Unincorporated Areas of Warren County	Warren County Administration Building, 406 Justice Drive, Room 167, Lebanon, OH 45036.

Fluvanna County, Virginia (All Jurisdictions)				
Project: 20-03-0031S Preliminary Date: November 30, 2022				
Community	Community map repository address			
Unincorporated Areas of	Fluvanna County Administrative Building Planning Department,			
Fluvanna County	132 Main Street, Palymyra, VA 22963.			
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